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This Act to continue for three Years, and to the End of the next Liber B.L.C Session of Assembly which shall happen after the Expiration of [Continuance.] three Years.

June 10th 1748 Read & Assented to by the Lower House of Assembly Signed p Order M. Macnemara Cl. lo. ho.

On behalf of the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province I will this be a Law. Sam: Ogle

10th June 1748 Read and Assented to by the Upper House of Assembly Signed p Order J Ross Ct Up. Ho.

the Great Seal in wax appendant

An Act enabling the Commissioners of Charles-Town in Cæcil No. 21 County, to build an Inspection-House in the said Town.

Whereas the Commissioners for Charles-Town in Cæcil County, [Preamble.] have, by their humble Petition to this General Assembly, represented and set forth, That by an Act of Assembly, passed at a Sessions of Assembly held at the City of Annapolis on the Sixteenth Day of May, Seventeen hundred forty and seven, an Act passed entituled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees; And whereas it is by the said Act directed, That one of the Ware or Inspecting Houses for the County aforesaid, should be erected and built at Charles Town aforesaid; And whereas it is by the said Law enacted, That in Case the Proprietors or Owners of Land will not build the inspecting Houses where they shall be fixed, that then the Justices of the County shall proceed to set a Value on one Acre, or half an Acre of such Land, and any other Person, or such Justices, paying the Owner the Value of such Land so set aforesaid, and building thereon such House, and performing every other Requisite required by the Act aforesaid, shall have an absolute Estate in Fee Simple to such Acre or half Acre of Land, and in Case the said Justices are obliged to build, they are by the said Act impowered to apply to the Commissioners or Trustees for emitting Bills of Credit, for any Sum not exceeding One hundred Pounds p. 456 Current Money, to enable them to carry on and compleat the said Building. And the said Commissioners further represent to this General Assembly, that the Inspection-House at Charles Town can only be situated on the public Ground, laid out and allotted for the public Use and Benefit of the Inhabitants and Proprietors of the said Town, and which, by a Law now in Force, cannot be disposed of or conveyed: That the said inspecting House must stand contiguous to a large Wharf, already built at the said public Expence, and one half of an Acre of said Land in Fee Simple is of great Value, and would be of infinite Prejudice to the Community of the said Town, if any such Title of their said public Ground were granted to any Person or Persons whatsoever, therefore the Com-